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SERVICES AT ST MARY'S

SUNDAYS

8.00 am HOLY COMMUNION (Book of Common Prayer, 1662)

9.30 am THE PARISH EUCHARIST and SUNDAY SCHOOL

4.00 pm VISION EXTRA (Next date to be confirmed)

6.30 pm EVENING PRAYER (Book of Common Prayer, 1662)

WEEKDAYS

Holy Communion is celebrated every Tuesday at 9.45 am (Book of Common

Prayer) and Wednesday at 12.45 pm.

Tots Church 1st Friday in the month.

Prayer for Peace, Saturdays 9.00 am to 10.00 am

CALENDAR AND SPECIAL DAYS

SUNDAY 2ND NOVEMBER ALL SAINTS / ALL SOULS

SUNDAY 9TH NOVEMBER REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY /

3RD SUN BEFORE ADVENT

SUNDAY 16TH NOVEMBER 2ND SUN BEFORE ADVENT / TRINITY 22

SUNDAY 23RD NOVEMBER CHRIST THE KING / SUN NEXT

BEFORE ADVENT

SUNDAY 30TH NOVEMBER ADVENT SUNDAY

Holy Communion is regularly administered in the Cumberland Infirmary. The Chaplain may be contacted via the hospital on 01228 523444

Material for the bulletin and weekly pew sheet should be sent to d.lomas46@btinternet.com tel: 016973 43862

St Mary's Parish Church Wigton



MONTHLY NEWS BULLETIN

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From the Registers

Holy Baptism

28th September Leo Brian Armstrong

5th October Rueben Moffat Dixon

12th October Dana Nami Beresford & Vivi Kaia Beresford

19th October Georgina Donelda Thomlinson & Hayley Louise Gosling

26th October Jacob Matthew Slingsby

'Born of water and the Spirit'

Christian Funerals

24th October Edyth 'Marie' Marion Lightfoot (Crematorium)

28th October Morris Bain Turner

'In sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life'

Reverend Richard writes....

Each year, as the poppies bloom and the days grow shorter, we pause to remember. Remembrance is more than a moment of silence or a wreath laid at a memorial — it is a sacred act of gratitude. We remember the men and women who gave their lives in times of war, those who returned bearing unseen scars, and the families who bore the cost of conflict in love and loss.

In our remembering, we do not glorify war. Rather, we acknowledge the courage and compassion of those who faced unimaginable hardship so that others might live in freedom. We give thanks for their service and renew our commitment to live as people of peace.

As followers of Christ, we are called to be peacemakers. Jesus said, "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God." (Matthew 5:9) Our remembrance, then, should not end with reflection, but move us to action — to build understanding, to forgive, to seek reconciliation in our homes, our communities, and our world.

When we hold the silence on Remembrance Sunday, we stand in the stillness of history, but also in the presence of God — the One who remembers every life, every tear, every act of courage. We pray that His peace, which passes all understanding, will guard our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

May this season of remembrance inspire us to live with gratitude, to work for peace, and to trust in the hope of God's eternal kingdom — where war will be no more, and love will reign forever.

God Bless

Rev Richard

DEANERY SYNOD

Bishop Rob is touring the diocese's deaneries in the run up to his enthronement as Bishop of Carlisle. This will provide an opportunity to pray together and for +Rob to listen to people locally, as well as share his thoughts on where we are as a diocese and our ministry together over the coming years. St Mary's will host an open Solway Deanery meeting on 4th November at 7.00pm (refreshments from 6.30pm) and all are welcome to attend.

PRAYER FOR PEACE

The Prayer for Peace takes place on Saturdays 9.00 - 10.00am. It is a time for a quiet prayer for peace in St Mary's. Please feel free to come and go during that time.

FAMILY WORSHIP

A 'Family Worship Celebrating All Things Light!' service will be held on 31st October 2025 at 6.00pm. Come along to sing and dance and worship God.

ALL SOULS' TIDE

There will be an All-Souls Service at St Mary's on Sunday, 2nd November at 6.30 pm. Invitations have been sent out to the families of people whose funerals we have taken in the last year. If there are any other departed loved ones whose names you would like read out at that service, please print them clearly on the sheet provided at the back of Church.

CHARITIES

Thank you to all who have generously donated £136.00 to the Bishop's Harvest Appeal. Wigton Infant School Harvest Service raised £165.26 which was kindly donated to the Windows Appeal.

MOTHERS' UNION

Mothers' Union meeting on 4th November will be a talk about Modern Slavery by Jane Conlan - MU Archdeaconry Representative.

TOTS CHURCH

The next Tots Church will be at 10.0am on Friday 7th November for Mums, Dads, Carers and little ones. Please come along for a fun time of worship and play followed by coffee and cakes. This is for everyone whether a churchgoer or not.

BAZAAR - 22nd November 2025

There will be a Craft Stall at the Bazaar. If you have, or can make items for sale, they would be most welcome.

If you have any children's toys, books and games for the Bazaar please bring them to church. Donations of adult books, jams and cakes and items for the bottle tombola stalls will be very welcome.

Raffle tickets for the Grand Draw at the Bazaar are now available to sell. Tickets can be found at the back of church, please sell as many as you can.

WINDOWS APPEAL

Sponsorships of window panes are invited at a cost of £5 per pane, contact the Treasurer for details. Limited-Edition Windows Appeal mugs with a picture of St Mary's are still available at a cost of £5.

WINDOWS APPEAL TARGET £500,000 TOTAL TO DATE – £187,771

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation - We have a confirmation service booked with Bishop Rob for Sunday 5th July 2026 at St Mary's, Wigton. If anyone is thinking or knows someone who might be thinking they would like to be confirmed then please contact Rev Richard.

TOWN CAROL SERVICE

David and Margaret Ferriby along with Debbie Bishop are planning this event to be held on Sunday 14th December 3.00 p.m. at St Mary's. In addition to children from Thomlinson Junior School and St Cuthbert's, it is planned to have an adult choir - all welcome. Details of rehearsals from David or Debbie.